



SUDAN MORNING NEWS

Nashrat Al-Sabah



February 13, 2007

Darfur

- UN and AU envoys to Darfur, Jan Eliasson and Dr. Salim Ahmed Salim, met with Foreign Minister Lam Akol and Presidential Advisor Nafie Ali Nafie yesterday in Khartoum. Dr. Salim stated that the aim of their visit was to push forward the joint efforts to reach a political solution in Darfur and to end violence in the region. Meanwhile, Foreign Ministry spokesman Ali Al-Saddig stated that Akol has underscored Sudan's readiness to offer any possible concession to resolve the Darfur crisis. According to the spokesman, Akol emphasized the necessity to convince the movements still opposed to the Darfur Peace Agreement (DPA) that they need to discuss other ways to address their demands, given that the DPA cannot be amended. (*Sudan Vision*)

- Clashes between Al-Turjum and Rizeigat tribes took place yesterday in the localities of Kas and Nyala in South Darfur, resulting in five deaths and 16 wounded. (*Rai Al-Shaab*)

- The African Peace and Security Council is scheduled to discuss the situation in Chad and Sudan today. Sudan has informed the Council of Chad's involvement in acts of hostility against Sudan. Sudan further called for the establishment of monitoring check points along the border to identify elements that are trying to destabilize the security of both countries. (*Al-Wihda*)

U.S. –Sudan Relations

- An anti-Western Khartoum daily republished a story from the Kuwaiti daily "Al-Watan" citing unnamed European sources as saying that a CIA delegation is currently in Khartoum as part of a security protocol signed between Sudan and the U.S. in 2001. The U.S. and Sudan have been

exchanging information concerning Somalia and the war on terrorism. These sources further revealed that the U.S. Embassy under construction in Khartoum will include the largest eavesdropping center in the region. (*Al-Intibaha*)

- An anti-Western daily reports unnamed sources as saying that the U.S. is exerting pressure on Vice President Salva Kiir to restructure the Sudan People's Liberation Movement (SPLM) in order to change its policies. The U.S. is allegedly pressuring the SPLM to relieve certain members of their posts. (*Al-Intibaha*)

Miscellaneous

- There were clashes between students in Gedarif State following the National Congress Party's victory in student council elections. University property was damaged by fire in the violence. (*Alwan*)

- The deputy head of the National Congress Party, Dr. Ibrahim Ahmed Omer, met yesterday with the head of the Libyan Brotherhood Council in Khartoum. The meeting touched on bilateral relations and stressed the need to enhance relations. (*Al-Rai Al-Aam*)

Quote of the Day

"I will not return back to war." -- Senior Assistant to the President Mini Minawi.

The Sudan Morning News is compiled as a service by the Public Affairs Section, U.S. Embassy, Khartoum, Sudan. It presents a partial survey of the current Sudanese press and international reporting about Sudan. Material reported here does not necessarily reflect the views of the U.S. Government.